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Massachusetts Water Resource interests,

The Massachusetts Water Resources Commission is responsible for developing water resource policies, prioritizing water resource planning and management functions within the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and carrying out certain laws and regulations. The Commission is chaired by the Secretary of Environmental Affairs and is made up of 11 members, including the Commissioners of the four environmental agencies, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development and five public members appointed by the Governor to three-year terms. These requirements are outlined in M.G.L c.21A, § 8A

Traditionally, the public members each represent a major type of water user, with at least one public member required to represent the ground water industry. The intent is to promote diverse viewpoints on the wide range of water resource issues that come before the Commission. The five public members must have a demonstrated knowledge in at least one area of water resource management, have a demonstrated interest in statewide water resource issues and policies, and an ability to address all issues at a level of expertise commensurate with the commission's mandate. The Governor's appointments are made with appropriate consideration being given to a list of candidates provided by the Secretary of Environmental Affairs.

The Water Resources Commission currently has vacancies for two of the five public member seats. To be considered for one of these vacancies, interested persons should submit their resume with three letters of reference by 5PM Friday, December 26, 2003 to:

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For more information on the Water Resources Commission please see the web site: <a href="http://www.state.ma.us/envir/mwrc/default.htm">http://www.state.ma.us/envir/mwrc/default.htm</a>

Regards,

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